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Dear President,

research on the nicotinic receptor in nerve cells has now entered a very fortunate phase, and several exciting data are emerging from different laboratories and its relevance both in physiology and pathology. Moreover several problems connected with the structure and function of the molecule in the brain are still controversial. Together with Dr. Erick Barnard and Hans Breer we think that it would be a good idea to get together the scientists interested in this topic, in order to foster discussions, to exchange ideas, and stimulate proposals for new strategies of research resulting in a better integration of the molecular findings with the physiological and pathological role of nicotinic receptors.

We have thus organized a Nato symposium devoted to The Acetylcholine Nicotinic Receptors in the Nervous System that will be held in Venice 18-21 April 1988. I enclose a preliminary program. I think that the subject is of interest for the Council for Tobacco Research, and I would be pleased if you can circulate the program among your scientists.

The expenses for holding the meeting are rather high. We have the sponsorship of NATO and of two small Italian Foundations but still we need a consistent financial support for giving to our invited guests the hospitality they deserve. May you be of some help also on this matter?.

I thank you in advance. With best regards,

Prof. Francesco Clementi